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15. (Amended) A process according to claim 12, further comprising initiating the generation of the signal to issue the bonus using an optical signal at the collection point.

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Amended) A process according to claim 12, wherein the signal to issue a

bonus is stored on a data medium of the customer.

## REMARKS

The foregoing amendments are intended to remove improper multiple dependencies from the claims. Copies of the claims with the changes noted are also attached.

Prompt examination of this application is respectfully requested.

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## 37 CFR §1.121(b)(1)(iii) and (c)(1)(ii) SPECIFICATION AND CLAIM AMENDMENTS- MARKED UP VERSION

- 4. (Amended) A system according to [one of claims] <u>claim 2</u>, characterized in that the camera is located so that it only detects the shopping carts (3) that are put away inside of the collection point (1).
- 5. (Amended) A system according to [one of claims1 through 4] <u>claim 1</u>, characterized in that each shopping cart (3) is provided with an optically determinable individual identification.
- 6. (Amended) A system according to [one of claims 1 through 5] <u>claim 1</u>, characterized in that the collection point (1) is provided with an optical signal transmitter (5) that operates in an IR range.
- 8. (Amended) A system according to [claims 6 and 7] claim 6, characterized in that the detection means include a number of evaluation units (8) attached to the shopping carts (3) that generated the signal to the issue bonus upon receiving a light signal (13) that was received and redirected by the shopping cart (3) in front of them.

- 11. (Amended) A system according to [one of claims 6 through 10] <u>claim 6</u>, characterized in that the optical signal transmitter (5) is made up of a common lighting system with a modulated light signal (6).
- 14. (Amended) A process according to [one of claims 12 or 13] <u>claim 12</u>, further comprising attaching an individualized identification that is optically recognizable to each of the shopping carts.
- 15. (Amended) A process according to [one of claims 12 through 14] claim 12, further comprising initiating the generation of the signal to issue the bonus using an optical signal at the collection point.
- 17. (Amended) A process according to [one of claims 12 through 16] claim 12, wherein the signal to issue a bonus is stored on a data medium of the customer.